



Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 17

Meeting Date: November 15, 2013

Meeting Location: Memorial Hospital Southside Office

Council Members Present: RM Lesko, Lisa Smith, Nancy Rennie, David Galloway, Melisa Tye, Darlene McBride and Amy Tempel.

Council Members Absent: Judge Weikert, Melinda Berry, Judge Ellis, Cheryl Hillenburg and Sandra Bowman.

Others In Attendance: John Schroder, Jessica Richardson, Bonita Mattingly, Melissa Winkler, Megan Whitehead, Elizabeth Monahan, Kris Mann, Michael Singleton, Melissa Weedman, Micci Frye and Melissa Coots.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 8:35 A.M. Eastern time by RM Lesko.

RM Lesko asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the previous meeting. Amy Tempel made motion to approve the previous meetings minutes and Lisa Smith seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

RM Lesko introduced Melissa Winkler to council. Melissa is the new Foster Care Specialist Supervisor for Region 17.

1. Community Partners Update: Mike Singleton with IHBS gave a summary of the referrals for the month of October 2013. As of October 31, 2013 a total of 111 open cases are currently being serviced through Community Partners for Child Safety in Region 17.

In the month of October, a total of 65 new referrals were made for consideration and 57 were serviced.

Of the referrals, one came from Crawford County, twenty came from Daviess County, fourteen came from Dubois County, four came from Martin County,

fourteen came from Orange County, six came from Perry and six came from Spencer County, DCS, Memorial Hospital and schools.

Mike reported to council IHBS spent \$167, 326.08 through September 2013. 33.2% spent in October target was 33%. Flex funds were up in October total spent was \$2,129.00 which is quite an increase over previous months.

Council member David Galloway asked about CP failure to engage. Mike stated he believes the number one reason is due to lack of awareness there is a need but the individual may not know this.

Practice Model: Darlene McBride stated we are short peer coaches in the Region otherwise not a lot of changes at this time.

Regional Finance Manager: John Schroder reported we are running 40% above budget as last year. John stated the biggest increase is in preservation services.

Regional Foster Care Specialist: Melissa Winkler informed council that the Foster Care Appreciation Event went well. Next year this event will be held in the month of April.

Fatherhood Initiative Program: Mike Singleton reported to council there are fourteen open levels: 6 in Dubois, 3 in Spencer, 2 in Daviess, 2 in Orange, 1 in Martin.

Old Business: Biennial Plan- RM Lesko stated the plan must be finished by the end of November. We will have an additional meeting in December or early January.

Period of Purple Crying: Mike Singleton informed council this is an Evidence Based Program. Mike stated CP funding could be used for this program. The council viewed a 10 minute video which was very informative. These video's can be purchased for \$2.00. The objective is to get hospitals on board and staff to get trained.

Mike provided the number of live births last year to council:

Dubois-550
Daviess-483
Martin-113
Perry-220

Spencer-234
Orange-238
Crawford-140
Total for Region: 1,978

RM Lesko asked council what views do they have on this program and if interested how council wants to proceed? Melissa Winkler made a motion to proceed with the program to do the training and purchase the DVD's. Nancy Rennie seconded the motion. Council agreed.

A committee will be formed. Mike Singleton and Natalie Kassenbrock will be in charge of the committee. RM Lesko wants a representative from each county in the region to be on the committee.

Regional Services Coordinator's Report: Regarding the biennial plan: Micci Frye reported to council that we are progressing and having work groups to finish the plan. All members are invited to attend and participate.

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: The next meeting will be January 10, 2014. It will be held at the Memorial Hospital Southside Office located at 1100 W. 12th Avenue, Jasper, IN. The meeting will start at 8:30 EST.

Meeting adjourned at: A motion to adjourn was made by Nancy Rennie and seconded by Amy Tempel. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

